

**Weekly Status & Information Report:
Week of April 2 - April 6, 2007**

1. Arrests and Warrants (Wards 2 & 5): The Criminal Investigations Division obtained one arrest warrant relating to an attempted residential burglary in Ward 2. One suspect was charged with Child Sex Abuse relating to a previously reported family crime in Ward 5. Two suspects were arrested relating to an open warrant for first degree burglary relating to a previously reported residential burglary in Ward 5. *(Police)*

2. Traffic Enforcement (Wards 3 & 4): Officers conducted at least 112 traffic stops this week. Of these, 98 ended in written citations, and four vehicles were impounded. More than half of the stops were made on New Hampshire, Carroll, and Laurel Avenues, and on University Boulevard. *(Police)*

3. The Chief & Others in Meetings: On April 3, Chief Ricucci met with Mr. Chris Sautor, Local 400, to discuss union related issues. On April 4, Chief Ricucci met with representatives from Opto Traffic Systems to discuss speed enforcement cameras and traffic safety surveys as it relates to Takoma Park. On April 5, the Chief attended the meeting of the Police Employees' Retirement Plan Committee, and Capt. Coursey attended an open house at the Maryland State Highway Administration, Fairland Office. *(Police)*

4. New Requirements For Sales of Rental Facilities (City-wide): Ordinance 2007-8 was adopted by the Council on March 19. Effective April 9, 2007, it requires the seller of a rental facility to provide to prospective purchasers: 1) notice of city rental housing laws; and, 2) copies of annual rent reports and rental licensing inspection reports for the previous two years. A mailing containing a copy of the ordinance was sent to local real estate offices, title companies and settlement attorneys this week. A mailing to owners will be sent next week. *(Housing and Community Development)*

5. First Time Home Buyer Seminars (City-wide): The City will be conducting two "First Time Home Buyer" Seminars this spring. The first, to be conducted in Spanish, will take place on Saturday, April 14, from 8:30 a.m. -1:30 p.m. at the Takoma Park Community Center, 7500 Maple Avenue. On May 19, at the same location and time, the seminar will be conducted in English. For further information or to register for either seminar, please call Linda Walker at 301.891.7222. *(Housing and Community Development)*

6. Tenant Association Summit To Be Held April 21 (City-wide): Tenant Associations and all tenants interested in forming a tenant association are invited to attend the second Tenant Association Summit, which will be held on April 21 from 10:00a.m.-2:00p.m. at the Takoma Park Community Center. The city's community organizers have assisted many tenants in the past few years to organize their own associations. The summit will provide an opportunity for tenants to discuss issues of common concern. Interested parties can contact Linda Walker at 301.891.7222 to register or to obtain more information. *(Housing and Community Development)*

7. Master Plan Workshop - Maple Avenue (Ward 4): City staff held a workshop for residents, property owners, and businesses to review the vision for new development as presented in the Master Plan and zoning ordinance for commercial areas along Maple Avenue and to identify small scale improvements. A dozen people attended and

discussed ways to make the area more attractive to residents. This was the fifth in a series of workshops that will be held to address each of the City's commercial areas. One more workshop will take place on April 12th for Old Takoma at 6:30pm, Middle Eastern Cuisine, 7001 Carroll Avenue. (*Housing and Community Development*)

8. A Host and the Shows: City TV covered the Tastes of Takoma celebration at Columbia Union College. City TV will present complete performances by the Perry Conticchio Jazz Band and the Acro-Airs, among others. Also featured is a segment in Snapshots with our new host and CUC alumni, Genaye Channell. (*City TV*)

9. Snapshots in April: The April Snapshots Magazine is already airing. It features an interview with Police Chief Ronald Ricucci. (*City TV*)